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Michigan Potato Production

Michigan's 2020 potato crop is forecast to be 17.4 million hundredweight (cwt), down 15 percent from a year ago, according to Marlo Johnson, Director of the USDA, NASS, Great Lakes Regional Office. Planted acres, at 48,000, decreased 2,000 acres from last year. Harvested acres, at 47,000, were down 1,500 from 2019. Average yield, forecasted at 370 cwt per acre, was down 50 cwt from the previous year. The first potato stocks estimate for the 2020 crop year will be released December 17, 2020.

Nationally, production of fall potatoes for 2020 is forecast at 415.5 million cwt, down 2 percent from 2019. Area harvested, at 915,700 acres, is down 2 percent from the 2019 estimate. The average yield forecast, at 454 cwt per acre, is up 1 cwt per acre from a year ago.

Potato Area Planted and Harvested, Yield, and Production - Michigan and United States: 2018-2020

Item	Michigan					United States		
	2018	2019	2020	Record high	Year set	2018	2019	2020
Planted 1,000 acres	50,000	50,000	48,000	332,000	1935	1,026,500	963,300	923,000
Harvested 1,000 acres	48,000	48,500	47,000	374,000	1895	1,014,800	937,300	915,700
Yield Cwt/Acre	380	420	370	420	2019	443	453	454
Production 1,000 Cwt	18,240	20,370	17,390	23,256	1904	450,020	424,419	415,481